
OLR Bill Analysis

sHB 5330

AN ACT CONCERNING SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS GRANTED TEMPORARY LEAVE BY THE PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ACQUITEE INFORMATION INTERNET WEB SITE.

SUMMARY:

This bill requires the Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB) to develop a content page on its Internet web site that informs the public of the status and placement of acquittees under its jurisdiction. By law, acquittees are those found not guilty of crimes due to mental disease or defect. While under PSRB jurisdiction, placement options range from treatment in a secure unit of a mental hospital, usually Connecticut Valley Hospital, to conditional release into the community, with treatment and monitoring conducted on an outpatient basis.

The bill requires the board to update its page, although it does not indicate how frequently, when it issues an order resulting in an acquittee's change in placement or status.

It also requires acquittees who are on temporary leave from PSRB to register as sex offenders if the crime for which they were acquitted was one that requires sex offender registration (i.e., a criminal offense against a victim who is a minor or a nonviolent or violent sexual offense).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2012

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 45 Nay 0 (04/02/2012)